

# **Lt. Governor Ron Ramsey**

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## **Lt. Gov. Ron Ramsey corrects record on megasite funding**

(Nashville) –Lt. Gov. Ron Ramsey strongly refuted the implication that he or his representatives on the state's Building Commission have worked to hold up funds for the Haywood County megasite. The unfounded and inaccurate assertion was made by Rep. Johnny Shaw (D-Bolivar) in the [March 25 edition of the \*Jackson Sun\*](#).

"I have not attempted to withhold funding for this megasite and any statement to the contrary is a complete falsehood," Lt. Gov. Ramsey said. "I absolutely support this project. To my knowledge there is no current request for funds in the pipeline. As soon as there is we will look at the request and act on it. I have every expectation that any monies needed to complete the project will be released expeditiously."

Megasites have been credited with helping attract multi-million dollar economic projects to the state of Tennessee. Examples include the \$1.2 billion Hemlock semi-conductor facility in Clarksville and the \$1 billion Volkswagen plant in Chattanooga.

"These megasites have proven themselves an asset to the economic health of the state," said Ramsey. "Once the original expenditure has been exhausted and plans and requests for new money are received, we will act to ensure West Tennessee receives the help it needs."

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